SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 404 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor Tori Baker, 1996 Valedictorian of Gordonsville High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Tori Baker is such an outstanding student who has distinguished herself as Valedictorian of the 1996 class at Gordonsville High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Tori Baker has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, Tori Baker maintained an exceptional grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Tori is the president of the Beta Club, president of the Science and Math Club, president of the Drama Club, treasurer of the Academic Team and vice-president of the Senior Class; and

WHEREAS, she is also a member of the G-Club, Pep Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, she received the DARE Citizenship Award and was listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, voted "Most Popular" by her peers, she is also active in the Spanish Club, Environmental Club and Student Council; and

WHEREAS, Tori served her junior class as "Miss Junior" and as class treasurer; and WHEREAS, she has played basketball for four years and has been the baseball statistician for two years; and

WHEREAS, Baker is an active member of the Church of Christ in Gordonsville; and WHEREAS, Tori Baker's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Tori's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Ricky and Ria Baker of Alexandria, and her grandparents, Jimmy and Daris Mullinax of Alexandria and Tony Baker of Alexandria and Bobby Baker of Sykes; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Tori plans to attend Middle Tennessee State University and major in psychology; and

WHEREAS, Tori's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor the 1996 Gordonsville High School Valedictorian, Tori Baker, on her impressive academic achievement, and we extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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